



NEWS RELEASE  
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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg, Omaha Police Chief Alex Hayes, and Mickey Leadingham, Omaha's Resident Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, announce the following information for the attention of the media:

**Event Triggering this Release:**

For being a Felon in Possession of a Firearm on February 17, 2010, Jashaun Linn Ward was sentenced by the Honorable Joseph Bataillon, Chief United States District Judge, to serve 36 months in prison, which will be followed by a 3 year term of Supervised Release, and to pay a \$100 Special Assessment. On February 17, 2010, Omaha Police served a search warrant at what they believed to be Ward's home near 65<sup>th</sup> and Boyd. Several letters addressed to him, as well as his Visa check card, cell phone and wallet were found on the premises. There was ammunition in the dining room, and three large bags of marijuana and trafficking paraphernalia in the kitchen. A 20 gauge shotgun was found in one bedroom. He was convicted of Robbery in 2001 and was therefore prohibited from possessing a firearm.

**Name of Defendant:** Jashaun Linn Ward

**AKA:**

**Age:** 27

**City of Residence:**

**Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty** (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Felon in Possession of a Firearm carries not more than 10 years in prison, not more than a \$250,000 fine, not more than 3 yrs term of Supervised Release, and a \$100 Special Assessment.

**Specific Location of Alleged Crime:** His home near 65<sup>th</sup> and Boyd, Omaha

**Location of Arrest:** His home near 65<sup>th</sup> and Boyd, Omaha

**Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:** n/a

**Others Charged in Same Scheme:** n/a

**Relevant Dates:**

**Date of Alleged Crime:** February 17, 2010

**Federal Arrest Date:** July 20, 2010

**Date Complaint Issued:** n/a

**Indictment Returned Date:** April 21, 2010

**Initial Appearance Date:** July 20, 2010

**Plea Date(s):** October 20, 2010

**Sentencing Date:** February 10, 2011

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** n/a

**Assigned Magistrate Judge:** Hon. Thomas Thalken

**Released from Custody:** July 20, 2010

**In Continuous Custody Since:** n/a

**Assigned District Court Judge:** Hon. Joseph Bataillon

**Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release:** MDW